

IN THE ABSTRACT

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~~Method and system for management and configuration of remote agents is provided. At least one web service is provided and at least one remote agent is managed and/or configured based on at least one web service.~~

The present invention is directed to a method and system for management and configuration of remote agents. In accordance with one embodiment of the present invention, at least one web service is provided. At least one remote agent on a network is detected by the web service by retrieving agent metadata from network devices based on one or more detection parameters. At least one of managing and configuring the at least one remote agent is performed based on the web service.